

BPH/HSP + MPH (4+1) Admissions Checklist

- Online Application**
 - Visit [SOPHAS Express Application](#), create an account, and select “Apply”
 - **Fee Waivers** - SOPHAS offers a [Fee Assistance Program](#) to qualified applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 617-612-2090 to learn more.
- Official Transcripts (for all non-UK institutions)**
 - Submit official transcripts from all previously attended undergraduate institutions directly through SOPHAS Express. This includes ***ALL*** institutions reported on other transcripts as “transferred” ***and*** high school dual credit recorded at an institution you may have never attended in-person.
 - UK transcript can be unofficial and uploaded by the applicant.
- SOPHAS Evaluations/Recommendations**
 - A minimum of three (3) recommendations are loaded directly to SOPHAS by your recommenders. Enter evaluator contact information in SOPHAS Express. Evaluators will be sent an evaluation questionnaire electronically; there is no requirement for a “letter of recommendation”, just the SOPHAS evaluation questionnaire. At least one (1) of the evaluations must be completed by a faculty member who taught or supervised the applicant.
- Professional Resume/CV**
 - Highlight professional experience, academic accomplishments, and other areas that will showcase your overall competitiveness for the accelerated BPH+MPH / HSP+MPH programs.
- Personal Statement**
 - Upload personal statement. Your personal statement should be approximately two pages in length, double-spaced, and cover the following:
 1. Please describe your interest in public health.
 2. How does your interest in public health align with your preferred degree program or chosen MPH concentration?
 3. Please describe your interest in the University of Kentucky College of Public Health.
 4. What are your professional and/or educational goals?
- Writing Sample**
 - Upload writing sample. In 250 words or less, identify what you believe is the most critical public health challenge facing the United States and the role your chosen MPH concentration plays in meeting that challenge.
- International Applicants**
 - All **foreign transcripts** must be evaluated by the World Education Services ([WES.org](#)) and submitted directly to SOPHAS Express.
 - All applicants whose native language is not English will be asked to self-report one of these scores on the application: **TOEFL/IELTS English Proficiency Tests**. This requirement can be waived for students who’ve earned an undergraduate or graduate degree from an accredited US institution.
 - Minimum [TOEFL](#) score: 79. Minimum [IELTS](#) score: 6.5.
 - Learn more at <https://gradschool.uky.edu/test-scores>.
- Graduate School Application**
 - If selected, you must complete the UK Graduate School application for the “University Scholars Program” or USP (<https://gradschool.uky.edu/application-process>)
 - Return the USP form to your undergraduate advisor ([University Scholars Form](#) – 4+1 required form)
- Application Deadline: 1 April 2022**

Direct all questions or inquiries to ukcph@uky.edu.